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Labour Force Statistics ◆ February 2009

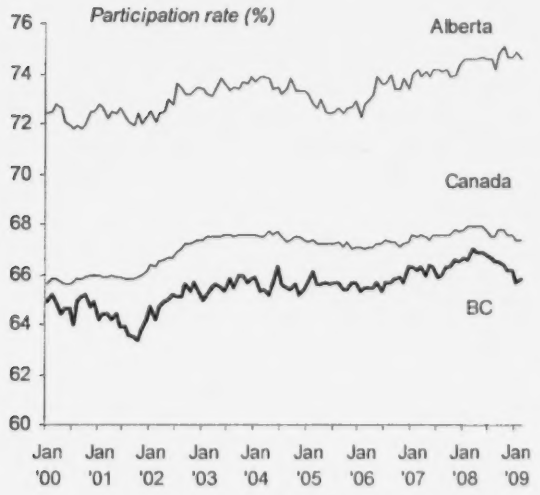
(All labour force statistics are seasonally adjusted, unless otherwise indicated)

BC's unemployment rate jumps to 6.7%

British Columbia's unemployment rate jumped again in February, rising to 6.7%. The latest increase brought the province's jobless rate to its highest level in nearly four years (the last time the jobless rate reached 6.7% was in March 2005) as employers in the province continued to downsize their workforce. The number of people with jobs fell another 0.2% in February, marking the sixth straight month of job losses. This, together with an expanding labour force (+0.4%), was the reason for the increase in the jobless rate.

Despite the recent upturn, BC's unemployment rate remains among the lowest in the country, and was a full percentage point below the national average (7.7%). However, BC has the highest unemployment rate in western Canada; rates in the Prairie provinces ranged from 4.7% in Saskatchewan to 5.4% in Alberta.

BC's participation rate is falling



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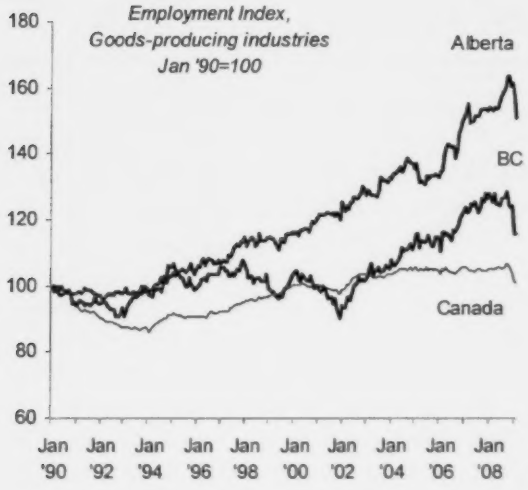
British Columbians appear to be reacting more quickly than most other Canadians to the changing labour market situation and uncertain economic conditions. The province's participation rate has dropped sharply in recent months, and was 65.8% in February, more than one-and-a-half percentage points below the national average (67.4%) and 0.8 percentage points lower than in the same month of 2008. Other provinces are also seeing a decline in the participation rate, but in most parts of the country (except Quebec, Newfoundland and PEI) it has not been as precipitous as in BC. Despite a bevy of layoff announcements in Ontario, its participation rate has fallen only modestly, and remains slightly higher than the Canadian average.

Fewer jobs in service sector; goods sector continues to face challenges

The recent job losses in BC were the result of a contraction in the province's service sector (-0.3%), which employs about 80% of the workforce. Most industries in the sector posted declines. Employment in transportation and warehousing plunged (-2.3%) for a second straight month, and the number of people with jobs in accommodation & food services was also down 2.3%. There were 2.3% fewer jobs in public administration, but the health (+1.6%) and education (+2.2%) industries took on more workers. Wholesale & retail trade, another key service industry, posted a modest 0.2% decline.

The province's goods-producing industries continued to face challenges, although the sharp drop-off in employment seen in January (-6.9%) was not repeated. Employment in goods industries remained virtually unchanged last month, as modest gains in the two biggest industries (construction and manufacturing, both at +0.2%) helped offset a slump in the always volatile utilities industry, and in primary resource-extracting activities.

Manufacturing jobs disappearing



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Employment in goods-producing industries shrank by 39,500 during the twelve-month period ending in February. Nearly half (15,300) of those jobs were in manufacturing, with another 12,200 construction jobs disappearing over the course of the year. Despite the recent losses, BC's manufacturing sector has more or less held its own over the longer term, in contrast to Ontario, where manufacturing employment has been declining since 2004.

Fewer self-employed, part-time workers

The number of private sector employees increased 1.4%, but public sector employment was unchanged from January, while the ranks of the self-employed contracted 5.5%. Full-time employment inched down just 0.1%, but part-time employment fell 0.6% in February.

Regional jobless rates starting to climb

Tighter labour market conditions are having an effect on regional unemployment rates, which ranged from a low of 4.6% (*three-month moving average, unadjusted*) in Northeast to 9.8% in North Coast/Nechako. Although rates in most regions of the province remain well below historic levels, unemployment rates in some parts of the province are edging closer to double-digit territory.

Workers in Vancouver (5.7%, *seasonally adjusted*) and Victoria (5.8%) were less likely to be unemployed than those in other parts of the province. In Abbotsford, the jobless rate (6.9%) was slightly higher than the provincial average.

The Nation

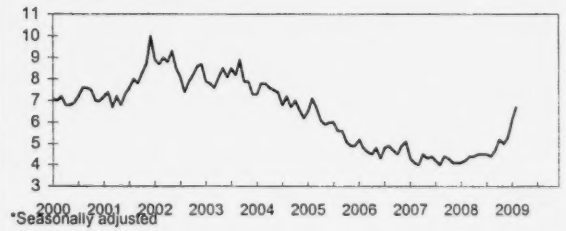
Canada's unemployment rate also continued to climb in February, rising to 7.7%, the highest level recorded since 2003. Job losses in Alberta (-1.2%), Ontario (-0.5%), Quebec (-0.5%), BC (-0.2%) and parts of Atlantic Canada all contributed to a 0.5% drop in employment. Canada's labour force inched up 0.1% in February.

Selected Statistics	Feb-09	Jan-09	Feb-09
BC Unemployment Rate (%)	6.7	6.1	4.2
Canadian Unemployment Rate (%)	7.7	7.2	5.9
BC Employment ('000)	2,263	2,268	2,306
BC Labour Force Participation Rate (%)	65.8	65.7	66.6
Feb % change in employment relative to:	-	-0.2	-1.9
Feb % change in labour force relative to:	-	0.4	0.7

1 Summary for February 2009--Actual and Seasonally Adjusted

	Current February 2009		Previous Month January 2009		One Year Ago February 2008		Change from January 2009		Change from February 2008	
	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.
British Columbia										
Working Age Population ('000)	3,681.8		3,676.8		3,614.1		0.1%		1.9%	
Labour Force ('000)	2,399.9	2,424.4	2,395.3	2,415.1	2,380.8	2,407.1	0.2%	0.4%	0.8%	0.7%
Employment ('000)	2,226.9	2,262.7	2,233.7	2,267.6	2,275.1	2,306.4	-0.3%	-0.2%	-2.1%	-1.9%
Unemployment ('000)	173.0	161.7	161.6	147.5	105.7	100.7	7.1%	9.6%	63.7%	60.6%
Employment Rate[1]	60.5%	61.5%	60.8%	61.7%	63.0%	63.8%				
Unemployment Rate	7.2%	6.7%	6.7%	6.1%	4.4%	4.2%				
Participation Rate	65.2%	65.8%	65.1%	65.7%	65.9%	66.6%				
Canada										
Working Age Population ('000)	27,161.2		27,128.1		26,774.8		0.1%		1.4%	
Labour Force ('000)	18,081.4	18,315.2	18,008.7	18,292.1	17,908.6	18,172.5	0.4%	0.1%	1.0%	0.8%
Employment ('000)	16,578.2	16,899.4	16,600.9	16,982.0	16,810.5	17,106.6	-0.1%	-0.5%	-1.4%	-1.2%
Unemployment ('000)	1,503.2	1,415.9	1,407.9	1,310.1	1,098.2	1,065.9	6.8%	8.1%	36.9%	32.8%
Employment Rate[1]	61.0%	62.2%	61.2%	62.6%	62.8%	63.9%				
Unemployment Rate	8.3%	7.7%	7.8%	7.2%	6.1%	5.9%				
Participation Rate	66.6%	67.4%	66.4%	67.4%	66.9%	67.9%				

BC Unemployment Rate*:



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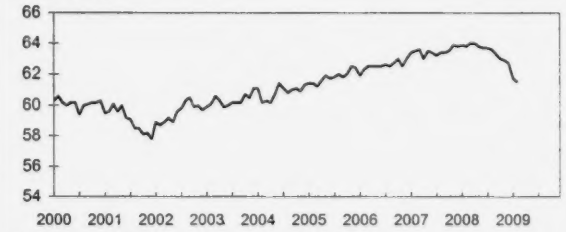

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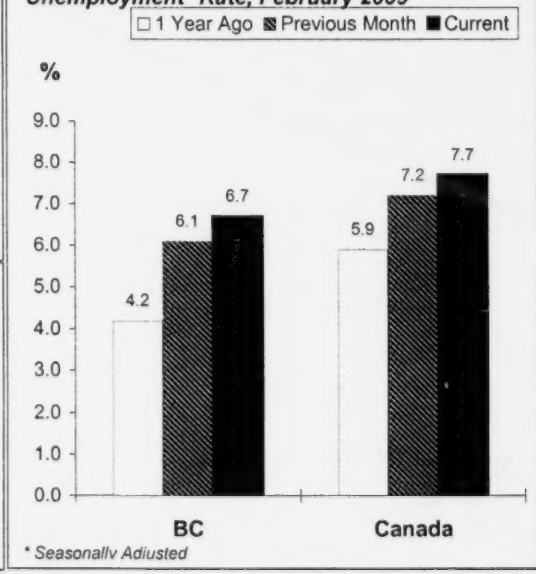
Unemployment* Rate, February 2009



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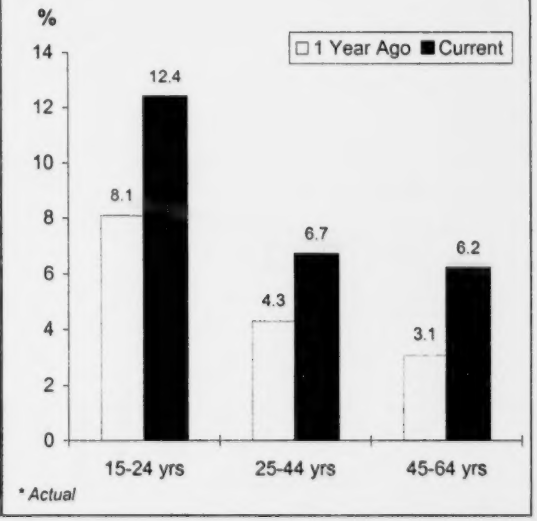
BC Unemployment* Rates by Age, February 2009



* Actual

[1] Employment rate is calculated as employment as a percent of the working age population.

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Source: Statistics Canada

2 BC Monthly Labour Force Data

	Actual								Seasonally Adjusted							
	Labour Force		Employed		Unemployed		Unemployment Rate	Participation Rate	Labour Force		Employed		Unemployed		Unemployment Rate	Participation Rate
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	(%)	(%)	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*	(%)	(%)
1999	2,064.8		1,894.4		170.4		8.3	65.1								
2000	2,079.9	0.7	1,931.3	1.9	148.6	-12.8	7.1	64.8								
2001	2,082.6	0.1	1,921.6	-0.5	161.1	8.4	7.7	64.0								
2002	2,147.6	3.1	1,965.0	2.3	182.6	13.3	8.5	65.1								
2003	2,190.7	2.0	2,014.7	2.5	176.0	-3.6	8.0	65.6								
2004	2,221.9	1.4	2,062.7	2.4	159.2	-9.5	7.2	65.5								
2005	2,263.4	1.9	2,130.5	3.3	132.9	-16.5	5.9	65.6								
2006	2,305.1	1.8	2,195.5	3.1	109.6	-17.5	4.8	65.7								
2007	2,366.4	2.7	2,266.3	3.2	100.0	-8.8	4.2	66.3								
2008	2,425.9	2.5	2,314.3	2.1	111.6	11.6	4.6	66.6								
2008 Jan	2,381.4	2.4	2,274.3	2.8	107.1	-4.4	4.5	66.0	2,406.2		2,307.9		98.3		4.1	66.7
Feb	2,380.8	2.4	2,275.1	2.4	105.7	2.5	4.4	65.9	2,407.1	0.0	2,306.4	-0.1	100.7	2.4	4.2	66.6
Mar	2,407.4	3.0	2,305.3	2.6	102.1	12.8	4.2	66.5	2,423.6	0.7	2,316.7	0.4	106.8	6.1	4.4	67.0
Apr	2,413.2	3.4	2,304.5	3.5	108.7	1.2	4.5	66.5	2,427.0	0.1	2,320.2	0.2	106.8	0.0	4.4	66.9
May	2,444.1	2.7	2,330.0	2.4	114.0	9.5	4.7	67.3	2,428.3	0.1	2,318.9	-0.1	109.4	2.4	4.5	66.9
Jun	2,455.3	2.6	2,354.9	2.6	100.4	2.8	4.1	67.5	2,430.5	0.1	2,319.9	0.0	110.5	1.0	4.5	66.8
Jul	2,469.1	3.2	2,350.1	2.7	119.0	13.1	4.8	67.7	2,431.1	0.0	2,321.6	0.1	109.5	-0.9	4.5	66.7
Aug	2,466.7	2.8	2,347.0	2.4	119.7	10.4	4.9	67.6	2,429.2	-0.1	2,322.7	0.0	106.5	-2.7	4.4	66.5
Sep	2,424.5	2.4	2,315.9	1.9	108.6	14.3	4.5	66.3	2,431.2	0.1	2,316.0	-0.3	115.3	8.3	4.7	66.5
Oct	2,431.2	2.2	2,312.9	1.3	118.3	25.7	4.9	66.4	2,434.6	0.1	2,309.0	-0.3	125.7	9.0	5.2	66.4
Nov	2,423.0	1.4	2,308.6	0.5	114.3	23.4	4.7	66.1	2,428.1	-0.3	2,307.4	-0.1	120.6	-4.1	5.0	66.2
Dec	2,413.6	1.5	2,292.8	0.2	120.9	34.0	5.0	65.7	2,432.5	0.2	2,302.7	-0.2	129.7	7.5	5.3	66.2
2009 Jan	2,395.3	0.6	2,233.7	-1.8	161.6	50.9	6.7	65.1	2,415.1	-0.7	2,267.6	-1.5	147.5	13.7	6.1	65.7
Feb	2,399.9	0.8	2,226.9	-2.1	173.0	63.7	7.2	65.2	2,424.4	0.4	2,262.7	-0.2	161.7	9.6	6.7	65.8
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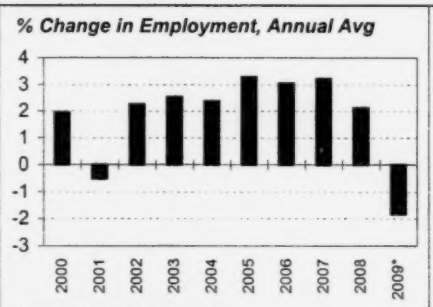
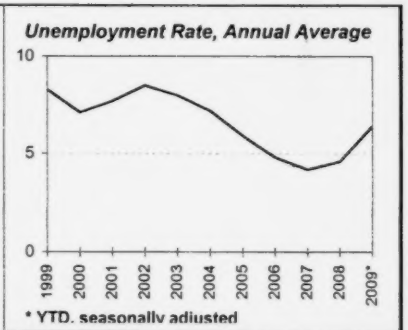
Jan-Feb08	2,381.1		2,274.7		106.4		4.5	66.0	2,406.7		2,307.2		99.5		4.2	66.7
Jan-Feb09	2,397.6		2,230.3		167.3		7.0	65.2	2,419.8		2,265.2		154.6		6.4	65.8
% Change	0.7		-2.0		57.2				0.5		-1.8		55.4			





* Per cent changes for "actual" data are calculated as month over same month previous year. For seasonally adjusted data, per cent changes are calculated as month over previous month.

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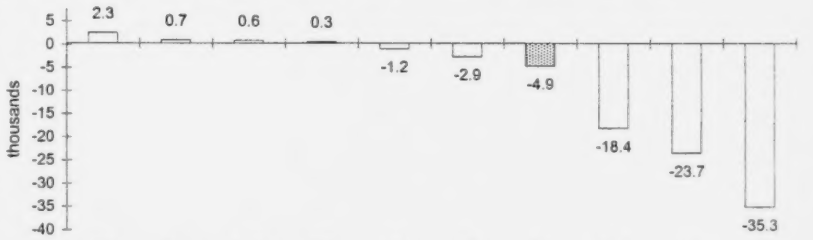
3a Employment ('000) by Province

	Actual										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1999	1,894.4	1,544.0	471.6	541.4	5,636.7	3,328.1	325.5	404.0	60.2	201.0	14,406.7
2000	1,931.3	1,584.0	473.5	552.3	5,817.1	3,402.8	331.2	411.4	62.7	198.0	14,764.2
2001	1,921.6	1,630.9	460.3	554.3	5,926.2	3,440.2	330.1	415.2	63.6	203.8	14,946.2
2002	1,965.0	1,670.8	468.3	567.2	6,031.4	3,569.9	343.1	422.9	64.7	207.2	15,310.4
2003	2,014.7	1,716.7	476.1	570.3	6,213.2	3,628.8	343.1	431.2	66.1	212.3	15,672.3
2004	2,062.7	1,757.5	479.7	576.6	6,316.5	3,680.5	350.1	442.2	66.9	214.3	15,947.0
2005	2,130.5	1,784.4	483.5	580.3	6,397.7	3,717.3	350.5	443.1	68.2	214.1	16,169.7
2006	2,195.5	1,870.7	491.6	587.0	6,492.7	3,765.4	355.4	441.8	68.6	215.7	16,484.3
2007	2,266.3	1,959.4	501.8	596.5	6,593.8	3,851.7	362.8	447.6	69.3	217.1	16,866.4
2008	2,314.3	2,013.3	512.7	606.7	6,687.3	3,881.7	366.2	453.2	70.2	220.3	17,125.8

Employment Change('000), February 2009* — *Line represents Canada at-82.6*



** Current month over previous month (saadj)*

	Seasonally Adjusted										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2008 Jan	2,307.9	1,999.3	506.3	602.6	6,653.5	3,889.3	365.2	452.3	70.3	223.9	17,070.6
Feb	2,306.4	1,994.6	509.7	602.0	6,690.8	3,893.0	367.6	449.4	70.6	222.5	17,106.6
Mar	2,316.7	2,001.2	508.1	603.9	6,682.7	3,881.8	365.9	449.8	71.0	221.0	17,102.1
Apr	2,320.2	2,007.3	509.8	611.1	6,696.8	3,867.7	366.2	452.3	70.5	223.0	17,124.9
May	2,318.9	2,007.7	509.8	604.6	6,705.2	3,877.8	363.2	449.2	70.8	224.5	17,131.6
Jun	2,319.9	2,015.8	510.0	608.2	6,682.5	3,885.2	363.5	456.0	70.7	219.0	17,131.0
Jul	2,321.6	2,011.9	506.0	609.3	6,668.4	3,857.1	364.9	455.1	69.7	218.4	17,082.4
Aug	2,322.7	2,006.9	513.1	605.4	6,682.9	3,861.5	366.5	452.1	70.3	218.7	17,100.2
Sep	2,316.0	2,021.7	519.5	607.2	6,730.3	3,887.0	367.0	456.4	70.4	216.8	17,192.4
Oct	2,309.0	2,035.2	519.7	606.9	6,719.0	3,890.2	369.2	457.5	69.7	218.3	17,194.7
Nov	2,307.4	2,031.6	520.3	609.2	6,662.9	3,891.7	366.8	453.6	69.5	218.3	17,131.4
Dec	2,302.7	2,022.5	520.3	609.1	6,665.2	3,884.3	366.6	453.5	69.2	217.5	17,111.0
2009 Jan	2,267.6	2,025.8	521.9	607.2	6,594.2	3,858.5	368.2	454.1	68.3	216.2	16,982.0
Feb	2,262.7	2,002.1	522.5	607.9	6,558.9	3,840.1	365.3	456.4	68.6	215.0	16,899.4
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Jan-Feb09	2,265.2	2,014.0	522.2	607.6	6,576.6	3,849.3	366.8	455.3	68.5	215.6	16,940.7
% Change	-1.8	0.9	2.8	0.9	-1.4	-1.1	0.1	1.0	-2.8	-3.4	-0.9

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3b Employment Growth by Province (%)

Actual

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1999	1.9	2.3	0.2	1.3	3.4	2.2	3.3	2.2	1.0	4.5	2.6
2000	1.9	2.6	0.4	2.0	3.2	2.2	1.8	1.8	4.2	-1.5	2.5
2001	-0.5	3.0	-2.8	0.4	1.9	1.1	-0.3	0.9	1.4	2.9	1.2
2002	2.3	2.4	1.7	2.3	1.8	3.8	3.9	1.9	1.7	1.7	2.4
2003	2.5	2.7	1.7	0.5	3.0	1.6	0.0	2.0	2.2	2.5	2.4
2004	2.4	2.4	0.8	1.1	1.7	1.4	2.0	2.6	1.2	0.9	1.8
2005	3.3	1.5	0.8	0.6	1.3	1.0	0.1	0.2	1.9	-0.1	1.4
2006	3.1	4.8	1.7	1.2	1.5	1.3	1.4	-0.3	0.6	0.7	1.9
2007	3.2	4.7	2.1	1.6	1.6	2.3	2.1	1.3	1.0	0.6	2.3
2008	2.1	2.8	2.2	1.7	1.4	0.8	0.9	1.3	1.3	1.5	1.5
2008 Jan	2.8	3.6	0.5	2.1	1.5	2.3	2.2	1.0	0.6	4.0	2.1
Feb	2.4	3.0	1.5	1.8	2.1	2.5	2.6	-0.3	1.2	2.4	2.3
Mar	2.6	3.5	1.1	1.4	1.9	1.5	2.0	0.7	2.1	1.8	2.0
Apr	3.5	3.0	1.8	3.3	2.2	0.5	1.4	1.0	1.1	2.6	2.0
May	2.4	3.0	1.7	1.4	2.1	1.1	0.4	0.7	3.1	3.0	1.9
Jun	2.6	3.0	2.2	2.1	1.7	0.8	-0.4	2.3	3.8	2.8	1.8
Jul	2.7	2.0	1.2	2.4	1.0	-0.2	0.6	2.7	1.2	1.5	1.2
Aug	2.4	1.9	3.0	1.5	1.3	0.0	0.8	1.5	1.9	1.1	1.3
Sep	1.9	2.3	3.6	1.3	1.7	0.5	0.9	2.3	1.7	-0.1	1.6
Oct	1.3	3.2	3.4	0.8	1.1	0.4	1.5	1.8	-1.8	0.5	1.3
Nov	0.5	3.2	2.9	0.8	0.1	0.1	-0.4	0.9	0.9	0.0	0.6
Dec	0.2	1.5	3.4	1.7	0.3	0.1	-0.1	0.3	-0.2	-1.8	0.5
2009 Jan	-1.8	1.2	3.3	0.6	-1.1	-1.0	0.9	0.6	-2.9	-3.6	-0.7
Feb	-2.1	0.2	2.9	1.0	-2.2	-1.6	-0.7	2.0	-2.3	-3.7	-1.4
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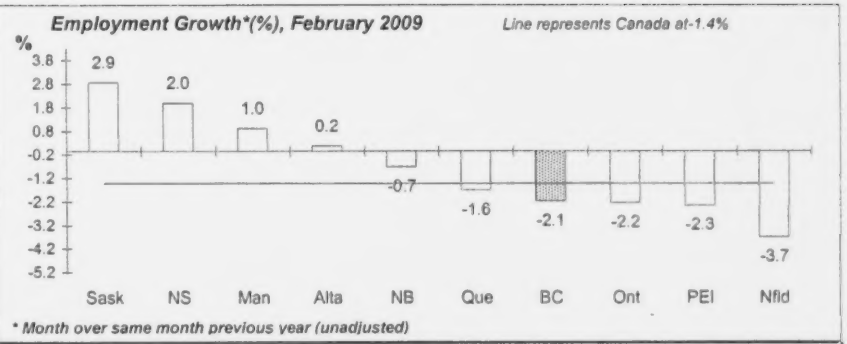


* Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)

Seasonally Adjusted

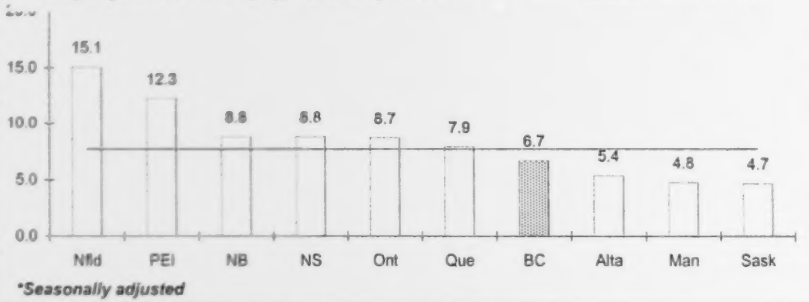
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2008 Jan	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.6	0.2	0.1	-0.4	-0.1	0.7	1.9	0.2
Feb	-0.1	-0.2	0.7	-0.1	0.6	0.1	0.7	-0.6	0.4	-0.6	0.2
Mar	0.4	0.3	-0.3	0.3	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	0.1	0.6	-0.7	0.0
Apr	0.2	0.3	0.3	1.2	0.2	-0.4	0.1	0.6	-0.7	0.9	0.1
May	-0.1	0.0	0.0	-1.1	0.1	0.3	-0.8	-0.7	0.4	0.7	0.0
Jun	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.6	-0.3	0.2	0.1	1.5	-0.1	-2.4	0.0
Jul	0.1	-0.2	-0.8	0.2	-0.2	-0.7	0.4	-0.2	-1.4	-0.3	-0.3
Aug	0.0	-0.2	1.4	-0.6	0.2	0.1	0.4	-0.7	0.9	0.1	0.1
Sep	-0.3	0.7	1.2	0.3	0.7	0.7	0.1	1.0	0.1	-0.9	0.5
Oct	-0.3	0.7	0.0	0.0	-0.2	0.1	0.6	0.2	-1.0	0.7	0.0
Nov	-0.1	-0.2	0.1	0.4	-0.8	0.0	-0.7	-0.9	-0.3	0.0	-0.4
Dec	-0.2	-0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.2	-0.1	0.0	-0.4	-0.4	-0.1
2009 Jan	-1.5	0.2	0.3	-0.3	-1.1	-0.7	0.4	0.1	-1.3	-0.6	-0.8
Feb	-0.2	-1.2	0.1	0.1	-0.5	-0.5	-0.8	0.5	0.4	-0.6	-0.5

Note: growth rates for "actual" data are calculated as month over same month previous year. For seasonally adjusted data, growth rates are calculated as month over previous month.

4a Provincial Unemployment Rates (%)

	Actual										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1999	8.3	5.7	6.1	5.6	6.3	9.3	10.2	9.6	14.3	16.9	7.6
2000	7.1	5.0	5.1	5.0	5.8	8.5	10.0	9.1	12.1	16.7	6.8
2001	7.7	4.6	5.8	5.1	6.3	8.8	11.1	9.7	11.9	16.1	7.2
2002	8.5	5.3	5.7	5.1	7.1	8.6	10.2	9.6	12.0	16.7	7.7
2003	8.0	5.1	5.6	5.0	6.9	9.1	10.3	9.1	11.0	16.5	7.6
2004	7.2	4.6	5.3	5.3	6.8	8.5	9.8	8.8	11.3	15.7	7.2
2005	5.9	3.9	5.1	4.8	6.6	8.3	9.7	8.4	10.8	15.2	6.8
2006	4.8	3.4	4.7	4.3	6.3	8.0	8.8	7.9	11.0	14.8	6.3
2007	4.2	3.5	4.2	4.4	6.4	7.2	7.5	8.0	10.3	13.6	6.0
2008	4.6	3.6	4.1	4.2	6.5	7.2	8.6	7.7	10.8	13.2	6.1

Unemployment Rates(%), February 2009* — *Line represents Canada at 7.7%*



**Seasonally adjusted*

	Seasonally Adjusted										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2008 Jan	4.1	3.3	3.9	3.8	6.3	6.8	8.4	7.4	10.6	12.4	5.8
Feb	4.2	3.6	4.1	4.2	6.1	7.0	8.3	7.7	9.9	13.0	5.9
Mar	4.4	3.4	4.2	4.4	6.4	7.3	8.6	7.8	10.5	12.7	6.1
Apr	4.4	3.3	4.3	3.8	6.3	7.5	8.4	7.7	11.2	13.2	6.0
May	4.5	3.6	4.1	4.2	6.4	7.5	8.7	8.3	9.6	12.7	6.1
Jun	4.5	3.3	4.0	4.2	6.7	7.2	9.7	7.6	10.5	13.2	6.2
Jul	4.5	3.7	4.4	3.7	6.4	7.4	8.7	6.9	10.6	13.5	6.1
Aug	4.4	3.5	4.5	4.0	6.4	7.6	8.4	8.2	10.4	13.7	6.2
Sep	4.7	3.8	4.0	4.5	6.5	7.3	8.1	7.7	11.3	13.5	6.2
Oct	5.2	3.7	3.9	4.3	6.7	7.2	8.9	7.6	11.6	13.8	6.3
Nov	5.0	3.5	3.8	4.2	7.1	7.2	8.7	7.8	10.8	13.7	6.4
Dec	5.3	4.2	4.2	4.3	7.2	7.3	8.6	8.2	11.7	13.7	6.6
2009 Jan	6.1	4.4	4.1	4.6	8.0	7.7	8.7	8.8	11.9	14.3	7.2
Feb	6.7	5.4	4.7	4.8	8.7	7.9	8.8	8.8	12.3	15.1	7.7
Mar											
Apr											
May											
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Average:											
Jan-Feb08	4.2	3.5	4.0	4.0	6.2	6.9	8.4	7.6	10.3	12.7	5.9
Jan-Feb09	6.4	4.9	4.4	4.7	8.4	7.8	8.8	8.8	12.1	14.7	7.5

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Source: Statistics Canada

4b Provincial Employment Rates (%)

	Actual										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1999	59.7	68.5	62.8	63.7	62.3	56.9	54.6	55.0	56.6	46.6	60.6
2000	60.2	68.6	63.3	64.5	63.2	57.8	55.4	55.7	58.7	46.1	61.3
2001	59.0	69.0	61.8	64.4	63.0	57.9	55.0	55.9	59.0	47.7	61.1
2002	59.6	69.1	63.1	65.5	62.9	59.5	57.0	56.6	59.5	48.5	61.7
2003	60.3	69.8	64.0	65.3	63.8	60.0	56.7	57.3	60.2	49.5	62.4
2004	60.9	70.1	64.3	65.4	63.8	60.2	57.6	58.4	60.3	49.8	62.7
2005	61.8	69.8	64.6	65.3	63.5	60.1	57.4	58.2	61.1	49.8	62.7
2006	62.5	70.8	65.9	65.8	63.5	60.2	58.1	57.9	61.1	50.4	63.0
2007	63.5	71.5	66.8	66.4	63.6	61.0	59.2	58.6	61.2	51.2	63.5
2008	63.5	72.0	66.8	66.7	63.6	60.9	59.3	59.0	61.3	51.7	63.6
2008 Jan	63.0	71.1	65.3	65.4	62.6	59.7	56.9	57.0	57.3	48.6	62.5
Feb	63.0	71.1	65.7	65.6	63.1	60.1	57.4	56.4	57.6	48.9	62.8
Mar	63.7	71.5	65.6	65.6	63.0	60.0	57.1	56.9	58.7	48.7	62.8
Apr	63.5	71.3	65.9	66.9	63.3	59.8	57.5	58.2	58.3	50.0	63.0
May	64.1	72.5	67.6	67.5	64.6	61.3	59.7	59.6	64.9	53.8	64.3
Jun	64.7	73.6	68.0	68.3	64.7	62.6	61.7	61.1	67.5	55.6	65.0
Jul	64.5	72.8	67.0	67.8	64.3	62.3	61.8	61.1	65.0	56.3	64.6
Aug	64.3	72.5	67.6	67.2	64.5	61.7	61.7	60.2	66.6	54.8	64.5
Sep	63.3	71.9	67.8	66.5	63.7	61.4	60.2	59.5	63.4	52.5	63.8
Oct	63.1	72.4	67.6	66.7	64.0	61.2	59.9	60.0	60.9	51.7	63.9
Nov	62.9	71.9	67.4	66.6	63.1	60.8	59.0	58.7	58.3	50.4	63.2
Dec	62.4	71.2	66.7	66.3	62.8	60.2	58.1	58.7	57.5	48.9	62.8
2009 Jan	60.8	70.5	66.2	65.0	61.0	58.5	57.0	57.0	54.9	46.5	61.2
Feb	60.5	69.7	66.3	65.3	60.8	58.5	56.6	57.2	55.6	46.8	61.0
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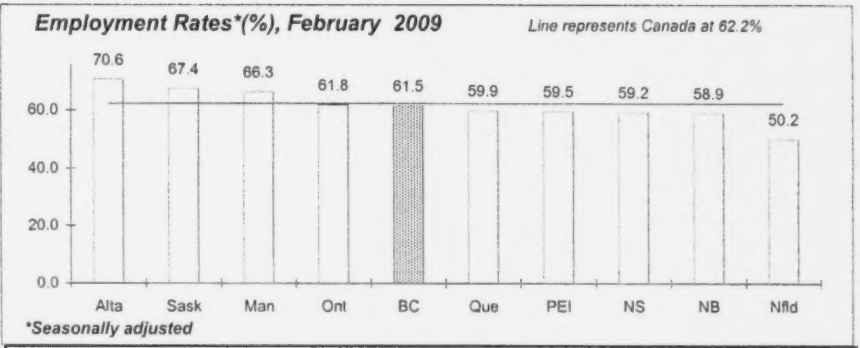
Average:											
Jan-Feb08	63.0	71.1	65.5	65.5	62.9	59.9	57.2	56.7	57.5	48.8	62.7
Jan-Feb09	60.7	70.1	66.3	65.2	60.9	58.5	56.8	57.1	55.3	46.7	61.1



	Seasonally Adjusted										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2008 Jan	63.9	72.1	66.6	66.6	63.7	61.3	59.3	59.0	61.8	52.7	63.8
Feb	63.8	71.9	67.0	66.5	64.0	61.3	59.7	58.6	62.0	52.3	63.9
Mar	64.0	72.0	66.7	66.7	63.9	61.1	59.3	58.6	62.4	52.0	63.8
Apr	64.0	72.1	66.8	67.4	63.9	60.8	59.4	58.9	61.8	52.4	63.8
May	63.8	72.0	66.6	66.6	63.9	60.9	58.8	58.5	62.1	52.7	63.8
Jun	63.7	72.1	66.5	66.9	63.6	61.0	58.8	59.3	61.9	51.4	63.7
Jul	63.7	71.9	65.9	66.9	63.4	60.5	59.0	59.2	60.8	51.2	63.4
Aug	63.6	71.6	66.7	66.4	63.5	60.5	59.2	58.8	61.2	51.3	63.4
Sep	63.3	72.0	67.4	66.6	63.8	60.9	59.3	59.3	61.1	50.8	63.6
Oct	63.0	72.4	67.3	66.5	63.6	60.9	59.6	59.4	60.5	51.1	63.6
Nov	62.9	72.1	67.3	66.7	63.0	60.8	59.2	58.9	60.2	51.1	63.3
Dec	62.7	71.6	67.2	66.6	63.0	60.7	59.2	58.9	60.0	50.9	63.1
2009 Jan	61.7	71.6	67.4	66.3	62.3	60.2	59.4	58.9	59.2	50.5	62.6
Feb	61.5	70.6	67.4	66.3	61.8	59.9	58.9	59.2	59.5	50.2	62.2
Mar											
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Average:											
Jan-Feb08	63.9	72.0	66.8	66.6	63.9	61.3	59.5	58.8	61.9	52.5	63.9
Jan-Feb09	61.6	71.1	67.4	66.3	62.1	60.1	59.2	59.1	59.4	50.4	62.4

5a BC Employment and Unemployment by Age and Gender, Annual

	Men								Women								Total							
	Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)				Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)				Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)			
	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages
1999	138.2	521.0	333.8	1,011.5	26.5	48.5	22.8	98.8	134.8	461.3	278.2	882.9	19.1	35.9	16.4	71.6	273.0	982.3	611.9	1,894.4	45.6	84.4	39.2	170.4
2000	141.0	522.6	350.4	1,031.3	25.7	37.1	20.6	83.8	138.2	458.2	295.8	900.0	18.5	31.2	15.0	64.8	279.2	980.8	646.2	1,931.3	44.2	68.3	35.6	148.6
2001	140.9	509.8	354.1	1,020.1	27.1	44.5	23.0	95.6	138.2	452.8	301.3	901.4	18.0	32.1	14.9	65.5	279.1	962.5	655.4	1,921.6	45.1	76.6	37.9	161.1
2002	147.8	503.2	365.8	1,037.7	30.2	45.8	26.9	104.1	145.8	452.5	318.1	927.3	22.0	37.4	18.4	78.5	293.6	955.8	683.9	1,965.0	52.2	83.2	45.3	182.6
2003	149.3	502.2	389.7	1,065.8	28.5	39.2	27.0	95.5	149.7	454.6	333.3	948.9	21.8	36.4	21.6	80.5	299.0	956.8	723.0	2,014.7	50.3	75.6	48.5	176.0
2004	153.8	508.2	403.8	1,091.2	25.9	34.4	24.1	85.4	154.0	463.7	342.6	971.5	21.9	30.5	20.8	73.7	307.8	971.9	746.4	2,062.7	47.8	64.9	44.8	159.2
2005	166.5	513.1	424.4	1,130.5	20.3	27.1	21.4	69.8	165.7	457.3	360.8	1,000.0	17.1	26.0	19.5	63.1	332.1	970.4	785.3	2,130.5	37.4	53.1	40.9	132.9
2006	172.7	520.1	439.8	1,160.9	17.5	21.2	16.0	56.2	176.9	465.8	376.8	1,034.5	13.9	22.3	16.1	53.4	349.6	985.9	816.6	2,195.5	31.4	43.5	32.0	109.6
2007	188.2	530.3	462.6	1,210.9	15.3	19.5	14.8	50.6	174.4	467.6	395.5	1,055.4	14.4	19.3	15.4	49.4	362.6	997.9	858.2	2,266.3	29.7	38.8	30.2	100.0
2008	181.9	533.3	475.8	1,230.9	19.1	22.0	17.4	59.5	181.2	472.4	410.7	1,083.4	14.3	21.4	15.8	52.1	363.1	1,005.8	886.5	2,314.3	33.5	43.5	33.2	111.6
2008 Jan	176.8	526.5	471.6	1,209.8	18.6	24.5	15.8	59.9	171.9	478.4	397.8	1,064.5	12.7	18.8	15.3	47.2	348.7	1,004.9	869.3	2,274.3	31.3	43.3	31.2	107.1
Feb	178.8	521.7	473.4	1,207.5	15.4	26.3	14.4	57.2	175.1	477.1	400.2	1,067.6	15.7	18.7	13.8	48.5	353.9	998.9	873.7	2,275.1	31.1	45.0	28.2	105.7
Mar	180.8	529.6	477.3	1,226.1	11.9	25.2	16.3	54.3	180.2	469.7	412.4	1,079.2	11.1	19.5	16.9	47.8	361.0	999.3	889.7	2,305.3	23.0	44.7	33.2	102.1
Apr	180.4	531.3	473.6	1,221.3	17.6	25.8	17.9	62.0	176.8	471.5	415.0	1,083.2	14.0	19.5	13.2	46.7	357.1	1,002.8	888.6	2,304.5	31.5	45.3	31.1	108.7
May	180.8	532.6	475.2	1,228.0	25.6	21.9	14.8	63.7	186.1	475.1	418.0	1,102.0	16.4	19.0	14.9	50.3	366.9	1,007.7	893.1	2,330.0	42.0	40.9	29.6	114.0
Jun	187.4	533.8	484.3	1,244.9	20.3	18.9	18.2	58.8	195.3	475.0	418.7	1,110.0	12.1	17.2	12.4	41.6	382.7	1,008.7	903.0	2,354.9	32.4	36.0	30.6	100.4
Jul	199.6	536.5	483.1	1,259.4	26.0	18.8	18.4	63.5	198.1	465.0	405.1	1,090.7	17.1	20.1	18.2	55.5	397.6	1,001.5	888.2	2,350.1	43.1	38.9	36.6	119.0
Aug	208.6	541.1	480.4	1,273.5	18.5	16.1	14.0	49.1	193.3	463.3	396.6	1,073.5	15.9	29.4	24.7	70.6	401.9	1,004.4	877.0	2,347.0	34.5	45.5	38.7	119.7
Sep	173.5	541.8	478.3	1,238.1	16.0	16.1	15.7	48.8	175.2	473.1	410.1	1,077.8	15.9	26.8	15.7	59.8	348.8	1,014.8	888.4	2,315.9	31.9	42.9	31.4	108.6
Oct	173.2	535.8	478.3	1,233.9	17.7	19.8	19.4	57.0	171.9	470.6	417.0	1,079.0	17.5	26.6	15.8	61.2	345.2	1,006.4	895.3	2,312.9	35.2	46.4	35.1	118.3
Nov	173.8	535.4	469.6	1,219.7	20.6	23.2	19.3	64.7	175.1	477.9	418.9	1,088.9	14.3	19.4	15.6	49.6	348.9	1,013.3	888.5	2,308.6	34.9	42.6	34.9	114.3
Dec	168.6	534.2	464.9	1,208.4	21.5	27.8	25.1	74.5	175.6	472.3	418.1	1,084.4	9.1	22.2	13.0	46.3	344.1	1,006.4	883.1	2,292.8	30.6	50.0	38.1	120.9
2009 Jan	148.5	515.2	462.8	1,165.4	29.7	41.1	26.0	97.9	173.2	460.9	415.1	1,068.3	10.3	28.2	24.0	63.7	321.7	976.1	877.9	2,233.7	40.0	69.3	49.9	161.6
Feb	146.5	508.6	464.9	1,159.3	33.6	42.9	36.1	113.0	166.2	464.7	416.0	1,067.6	10.5	27.1	21.8	60.0	312.7	973.4	880.9	2,226.9	44.1	70.1	57.9	173.0
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Jan-Feb08	177.8	524.1	472.5	1,208.7	17.0	25.4	15.1	58.6	173.5	477.8	399.0	1,066.1	14.2	18.8	14.6	47.9	351.3	1,001.9	871.5	2,274.7	31.2	44.2	29.7	106.4
Jan-Feb09	147.5	511.9	463.9	1,162.4	31.7	42.0	31.1	105.5	169.7	462.8	415.6	1,068.0	10.4	27.7	22.9	61.9	317.2	974.8	879.4	2,230.3	42.1	69.7	53.9	167.3
% Change	-17.0	-2.3	-1.8	-3.8	86.2	65.4	105.6	80.1	-2.2	-3.1	4.1	0.2	-26.8	47.5	57.4	29.3	-9.7	-2.7	0.9	-2.0	34.8	57.9	81.5	57.2

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

Produced by: **BC Stats**

Source: Statistics Canada

5b BC Participation Rates and Unemployment Rates by Age and Gender, Actual

	Men								Women								Total							
	Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)				Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)				Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)			
	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages
1999	62.0	91.4	77.8	71.0	16.1	8.5	6.4	8.9	60.5	78.9	64.2	59.3	12.4	7.2	5.6	7.5	61.3	85.1	71.0	65.1	14.3	7.9	6.0	8.3
2000	61.9	90.8	78.3	70.5	15.4	6.6	5.6	7.5	60.9	78.2	65.3	59.3	11.8	6.4	4.8	6.7	61.4	84.4	71.8	64.8	13.7	6.5	5.2	7.1
2001	61.2	90.6	77.1	69.5	16.1	8.0	6.1	8.6	59.7	77.9	64.0	58.6	11.5	6.6	4.7	6.8	60.5	84.2	70.5	64.0	13.9	7.4	5.5	7.7
2002	63.8	90.6	77.6	70.3	17.0	8.3	6.9	9.1	62.9	79.4	65.6	60.1	13.1	7.6	5.5	7.8	63.4	84.9	71.5	65.1	15.1	8.0	6.2	8.5
2003	63.0	90.4	79.6	70.7	16.0	7.2	6.5	8.2	63.2	80.5	66.7	60.7	12.7	7.4	6.1	7.8	63.1	85.4	73.1	65.6	14.4	7.3	6.3	8.0
2004	62.8	91.2	79.1	70.6	14.4	6.3	5.6	7.3	63.9	81.5	65.9	60.7	12.5	6.2	5.7	7.1	63.3	86.3	72.4	65.5	13.4	6.3	5.7	7.2
2005	64.2	90.9	79.9	70.8	10.9	5.0	4.8	5.8	65.5	79.7	66.6	60.7	9.4	5.4	5.1	5.9	64.8	85.3	73.2	65.6	10.1	5.2	5.0	5.9
2006	64.6	90.6	79.1	70.4	9.2	3.9	3.5	4.6	67.7	80.2	66.6	61.0	7.3	4.6	4.1	4.9	66.1	85.4	72.8	65.7	8.2	4.2	3.8	4.8
2007	68.9	91.5	80.4	71.7	7.5	3.5	3.1	4.0	66.7	79.7	67.6	61.0	7.6	4.0	3.7	4.5	67.8	85.5	73.9	66.3	7.6	3.7	3.4	4.2
2008	67.6	91.6	80.5	71.9	9.5	4.0	3.5	4.6	68.5	80.1	68.0	61.5	7.3	4.3	3.7	4.6	68.0	85.8	74.2	66.6	8.4	4.1	3.6	4.6
2008 Jan	65.9	91.3	80.6	71.4	9.5	4.4	3.2	4.7	64.8	81.1	66.8	60.7	6.9	3.8	3.7	4.2	65.4	86.1	73.6	66.0	8.2	4.1	3.5	4.5
Feb	65.5	90.7	80.5	71.0	7.9	4.8	3.0	4.5	67.0	80.8	66.8	60.9	8.2	3.8	3.3	4.3	66.2	85.7	73.6	65.9	8.1	4.3	3.1	4.4
Mar	65.0	91.8	81.3	71.8	6.2	4.5	3.3	4.2	67.0	79.6	69.1	61.4	5.8	4.0	3.9	4.2	66.0	85.7	75.1	66.5	6.0	4.3	3.6	4.2
Apr	66.6	92.1	80.7	71.8	8.9	4.6	3.6	4.8	66.8	79.9	68.7	61.4	7.3	4.0	3.1	4.1	66.7	85.9	74.6	66.5	8.1	4.3	3.4	4.5
May	69.5	91.6	80.2	72.2	12.4	4.0	3.0	4.9	71.0	80.3	69.3	62.5	8.1	3.8	3.4	4.4	70.2	85.9	74.7	67.3	10.3	3.9	3.2	4.7
Jun	69.9	91.2	82.0	72.7	9.8	3.4	3.6	4.5	72.6	79.9	68.8	62.4	5.8	3.5	2.9	3.6	71.2	85.5	75.4	67.5	7.8	3.4	3.3	4.1
Jul	75.8	91.5	81.7	73.7	11.5	3.4	3.7	4.8	75.3	78.7	67.4	62.0	7.9	4.1	4.3	4.8	75.6	85.1	74.5	67.7	9.8	3.7	4.0	4.8
Aug	76.3	91.8	80.3	73.5	8.1	2.9	2.8	3.7	73.2	79.8	66.9	61.8	7.6	6.0	5.9	6.2	74.8	85.7	73.6	67.6	7.9	4.3	4.2	4.9
Sep	63.7	91.8	80.0	71.4	8.4	2.9	3.2	3.8	66.8	80.9	67.4	61.3	8.3	5.4	3.7	5.3	65.2	86.3	73.7	66.3	8.4	4.1	3.4	4.5
Oct	64.1	91.4	80.4	71.5	9.3	3.6	3.9	4.4	66.2	80.4	68.4	61.4	9.2	5.3	3.7	5.4	65.1	85.8	74.4	66.4	9.3	4.4	3.8	4.9
Nov	65.3	91.8	78.9	71.1	10.6	4.2	3.9	5.0	66.2	80.4	68.5	61.2	7.6	3.9	3.6	4.4	65.7	86.1	73.6	66.1	9.1	4.0	3.8	4.7
Dec	63.8	92.4	78.9	70.9	11.3	4.9	5.1	5.8	64.6	80.0	67.9	60.7	4.9	4.5	3.0	4.1	64.2	86.1	73.3	65.7	8.2	4.7	4.1	5.0
2009 Jan	59.8	91.5	78.5	69.7	16.7	7.4	5.3	7.7	64.1	79.1	68.9	60.7	5.6	5.8	5.5	5.6	61.9	85.2	73.6	65.1	11.1	6.6	5.4	6.7
Feb	60.5	90.7	80.3	70.1	18.7	7.8	7.2	8.9	61.7	79.6	68.5	60.4	5.9	5.5	5.0	5.3	61.1	85.1	74.3	65.2	12.4	6.7	6.2	7.2
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Jan-Feb08	65.7	91.0	80.6	71.2	8.7	4.6	3.1	4.6	65.9	81.0	66.8	60.8	7.6	3.8	3.5	4.3	65.8	85.9	73.6	66.0	8.2	4.2	3.3	4.5
Jan-Feb09	60.2	91.1	79.4	69.9	17.7	7.6	6.3	8.3	62.9	79.4	68.7	60.6	5.8	5.7	5.3	5.5	61.5	85.2	74.0	65.2	11.8	6.7	5.8	7.0

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

5c BC Employment and Unemployment by Age and Gender, Seasonally Adjusted

	Men						Women						Total					
	Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)			Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)			Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)		
	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages
1999	138.2	873.3	1,011.5	26.5	72.3	98.8	134.8	748.1	882.9	19.1	52.5	71.6	273.0	1,621.4	1,894.4	45.6	124.9	170.4
2000	141.0	890.3	1,031.3	25.7	58.1	83.8	138.2	761.7	900.0	18.5	46.3	64.8	279.2	1,652.1	1,931.3	44.2	104.4	148.6
2001	140.9	879.2	1,020.1	27.1	68.5	95.6	138.2	763.3	901.4	18.0	47.5	65.5	279.1	1,642.5	1,921.6	45.1	116.0	161.1
2002	147.8	889.9	1,037.7	30.2	74.0	104.1	145.8	781.5	927.3	22.0	56.5	78.5	293.6	1,671.4	1,965.0	52.2	130.4	182.6
2003	149.3	916.5	1,065.8	28.5	67.1	95.5	149.7	799.2	948.9	21.8	58.7	80.5	299.0	1,715.7	2,014.7	50.3	125.7	176.0
2004	153.8	937.4	1,091.2	25.9	59.5	85.4	154.0	817.5	971.5	21.9	51.8	73.7	307.8	1,754.9	2,062.7	47.8	111.3	159.2
2005	166.5	964.0	1,130.5	20.3	49.5	69.8	165.7	834.4	1,000.0	17.1	46.0	63.1	332.1	1,798.4	2,130.5	37.4	95.5	132.9
2006	172.7	988.2	1,160.9	17.5	38.8	56.2	176.9	857.6	1,034.5	13.9	39.5	53.4	349.6	1,845.8	2,195.5	31.4	78.2	109.6
2007	188.2	1,022.7	1,210.9	15.3	35.4	50.6	174.4	881.0	1,055.4	14.4	35.0	49.4	362.6	1,903.7	2,266.3	29.7	70.4	100.0
2008	181.9	1,049.0	1,230.9	19.1	40.3	59.5	181.2	902.2	1,083.4	14.3	37.8	52.1	363.1	1,951.2	2,314.3	33.5	78.1	111.6
2008 Jan	189.9	1,043.8	1,233.7	17.1	36.5	53.6	180.7	893.5	1,074.2	13.1	31.6	44.7	370.6	1,937.3	2,307.9	30.2	68.1	98.3
Feb	187.9	1,039.8	1,227.7	15.6	36.4	52.0	181.1	897.6	1,078.7	16.5	32.2	48.7	369.0	1,937.5	2,306.4	32.1	68.6	100.7
Mar	188.5	1,049.0	1,237.5	13.6	40.6	54.3	183.8	895.4	1,079.2	13.9	38.7	52.6	372.3	1,944.4	2,316.7	27.5	79.3	106.8
Apr	185.4	1,049.4	1,234.8	18.6	41.2	59.8	184.8	900.6	1,085.4	13.4	33.6	47.0	370.2	1,950.0	2,320.2	31.9	74.8	106.8
May	181.2	1,044.2	1,225.3	21.7	39.4	61.1	184.3	909.2	1,093.6	13.6	34.7	48.3	365.5	1,953.4	2,318.9	35.3	74.1	109.4
Jun	179.7	1,048.6	1,228.4	20.2	42.6	62.7	185.2	906.4	1,091.6	12.5	35.3	47.8	364.9	1,955.0	2,319.9	32.6	77.9	110.5
Jul	178.7	1,055.3	1,234.1	18.9	40.1	59.0	183.9	903.6	1,087.6	12.2	38.3	50.5	362.6	1,959.0	2,321.6	31.1	78.4	109.5
Aug	186.4	1,059.7	1,246.0	19.4	32.6	52.0	179.9	896.8	1,076.7	14.4	40.1	54.5	366.2	1,956.5	2,322.7	33.7	72.8	106.5
Sep	178.2	1,053.9	1,232.2	17.8	39.4	57.3	179.6	904.1	1,083.8	15.5	42.5	58.0	357.9	1,958.1	2,316.0	33.3	82.0	115.3
Oct	176.7	1,053.0	1,229.7	20.1	43.1	63.2	175.9	903.4	1,079.3	17.9	44.5	62.5	352.6	1,956.4	2,309.0	38.1	87.6	125.7
Nov	176.3	1,045.4	1,221.8	23.8	43.5	67.3	176.5	909.2	1,085.7	16.1	37.2	53.3	352.8	1,954.7	2,307.4	39.9	80.7	120.6
Dec	172.6	1,046.8	1,219.4	23.9	49.2	73.1	176.3	907.0	1,083.4	13.0	43.6	56.6	348.9	1,953.8	2,302.7	36.9	92.9	129.7
2009 Jan	161.6	1,029.2	1,190.8	26.2	61.8	88.0	181.2	895.6	1,076.8	11.4	48.1	59.4	342.8	1,924.8	2,267.6	37.6	109.9	147.5
Feb	155.6	1,026.7	1,182.3	31.9	71.0	102.9	174.5	905.9	1,080.4	11.4	47.5	58.9	330.1	1,932.6	2,262.7	43.2	118.5	161.7
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Jan-Feb08	188.9	1,041.8	1,230.7	16.4	36.5	52.8	180.9	895.6	1,076.5	14.8	31.9	46.7	369.8	1,937.4	2,307.2	31.2	68.4	99.5
Jan-Feb09	158.6	1,028.0	1,186.6	29.1	66.4	95.5	177.9	900.8	1,078.6	11.4	47.8	59.2	336.5	1,928.7	2,265.2	40.4	114.2	154.6
% Change	-16.0	-1.3	-3.6	77.7	82.2	80.8	-1.7	0.6	0.2	-23.0	49.8	26.7	-9.0	-0.4	-1.8	29.7	67.1	55.4

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

Produced by: **BC Stats**

Source: Statistics Canada

5d BC Participation, Unemployment and Employment Rates by Age and Gender, Seasonally Adjusted

	Men									Women									Total								
	Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)			Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)			Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)		
	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages
1999	62.0	72.8	71.0	16.1	7.6	8.9	52.0	67.2	64.6	60.5	59.1	59.3	12.4	6.6	7.5	53.0	55.2	54.9	61.3	65.8	65.1	14.3	7.2	8.3	52.5	61.1	59.7
2000	61.9	72.2	70.5	15.4	6.1	7.5	52.3	67.8	65.2	60.9	58.9	59.3	11.8	5.7	6.7	53.7	55.6	55.3	61.4	65.4	64.8	13.7	5.9	7.1	53.0	61.6	60.2
2001	61.2	71.3	69.5	16.1	7.2	8.6	51.3	66.1	63.6	59.7	58.3	58.6	11.5	5.9	6.8	52.8	54.9	54.6	60.5	64.7	64.0	13.9	6.6	7.7	52.1	60.4	59.0
2002	63.8	71.6	70.3	17.0	7.7	9.1	53.0	66.1	63.9	62.9	59.5	60.1	13.1	6.7	7.8	54.7	55.5	55.4	63.4	65.4	65.1	15.1	7.2	8.5	53.8	60.7	59.6
2003	63.0	72.2	70.7	16.0	6.8	8.2	52.9	67.3	64.8	63.2	60.2	60.7	12.7	6.8	7.8	55.2	56.1	55.9	63.1	66.1	65.6	14.4	6.8	8.0	54.0	61.6	60.3
2004	62.8	72.2	70.6	14.4	6.0	7.3	53.7	67.9	65.5	63.9	60.0	60.7	12.5	6.0	7.1	56.0	56.5	56.4	63.3	66.0	65.5	13.4	6.0	7.2	54.8	62.0	60.9
2005	64.2	72.1	70.8	10.9	4.9	5.8	57.2	68.6	66.7	65.5	59.8	60.7	9.4	5.2	5.9	59.4	56.6	57.1	64.8	65.8	65.6	10.1	5.0	5.9	58.2	62.5	61.8
2006	64.6	71.6	70.4	9.2	3.8	4.6	58.7	68.9	67.2	67.7	59.8	61.0	7.3	4.4	4.9	62.8	57.1	58.0	66.1	65.6	65.7	8.2	4.1	4.8	60.7	62.9	62.5
2007	68.9	72.3	71.7	7.5	3.3	4.0	63.7	69.9	68.9	66.7	59.9	61.0	7.6	3.8	4.5	61.5	57.6	58.2	67.8	66.0	66.3	7.6	3.6	4.2	62.6	63.6	63.5
2008	67.6	72.8	71.9	9.5	3.7	4.6	61.2	70.1	68.6	68.5	60.2	61.5	7.3	4.0	4.6	63.4	57.8	58.6	68.0	66.3	66.6	8.4	3.8	4.6	62.3	63.8	63.5
2008 Jan	69.8	72.9	72.4	8.3	3.4	4.2	64.0	70.5	69.4	68.0	59.8	61.1	6.8	3.4	4.0	63.4	57.8	58.6	68.9	66.2	66.7	7.5	3.4	4.1	63.7	64.0	63.9
Feb	68.6	72.5	71.9	7.7	3.4	4.1	63.3	70.1	69.0	69.4	60.0	61.5	8.4	3.5	4.3	63.6	58.0	58.8	69.0	66.2	66.6	8.0	3.4	4.2	63.4	63.9	63.8
Mar	68.1	73.3	72.4	6.7	3.7	4.2	63.5	70.6	69.4	69.3	60.2	61.6	7.0	4.1	4.6	64.4	57.7	58.8	68.7	66.6	67.0	6.9	3.9	4.4	64.0	64.0	64.0
Apr	68.7	73.2	72.5	9.1	3.8	4.6	62.4	70.5	69.1	69.5	60.1	61.5	6.8	3.6	4.2	64.8	57.9	59.0	69.0	66.5	66.9	7.9	3.7	4.4	63.6	64.0	64.0
May	68.3	72.6	71.9	10.7	3.6	4.7	61.0	70.0	68.5	69.3	60.6	61.9	6.9	3.7	4.2	64.6	58.4	59.3	68.8	66.5	66.9	8.8	3.7	4.5	62.7	64.1	63.8
Jun	67.2	73.0	72.0	10.1	3.9	4.9	60.4	70.1	68.5	69.2	60.3	61.7	6.3	3.7	4.2	64.8	58.1	59.1	68.2	66.5	66.8	8.2	3.8	4.5	62.6	64.0	63.7
Jul	66.4	73.1	72.0	9.6	3.7	4.6	60.1	70.4	68.7	68.6	60.2	61.5	6.2	4.1	4.4	64.4	57.8	58.8	67.5	66.5	66.7	7.9	3.8	4.5	62.2	64.0	63.7
Aug	69.2	72.8	72.2	9.4	3.0	4.0	62.6	70.6	69.3	67.9	59.8	61.1	7.4	4.3	4.8	62.9	57.2	58.1	68.6	66.1	66.5	8.4	3.6	4.4	62.8	63.8	63.6
Sep	65.8	72.7	71.5	9.1	3.6	4.4	59.8	70.0	68.4	68.2	60.3	61.5	7.9	4.5	5.1	62.8	57.6	58.4	67.0	66.3	66.5	8.5	4.0	4.7	61.3	63.7	63.3
Oct	66.1	72.7	71.6	10.2	3.9	4.9	59.3	69.9	68.1	67.7	60.3	61.4	9.2	4.7	5.5	61.5	57.4	58.1	66.9	66.4	66.4	9.8	4.3	5.2	60.4	63.5	63.0
Nov	67.2	72.1	71.3	11.9	4.0	5.2	59.2	69.3	67.6	67.3	60.1	61.2	8.4	3.9	4.7	61.7	57.7	58.3	67.3	66.0	66.2	10.2	4.0	5.0	60.4	63.4	62.9
Dec	66.0	72.5	71.4	12.2	4.5	5.7	58.0	69.3	67.4	66.2	60.3	61.2	6.9	4.6	5.0	61.6	57.5	58.2	66.1	66.3	66.2	9.6	4.5	5.3	59.8	63.3	62.7
2009 Jan	63.1	72.1	70.6	13.9	5.7	6.9	54.2	68.0	65.7	67.3	59.8	60.9	5.9	5.1	5.2	63.3	56.7	57.7	65.1	65.8	65.7	9.9	5.4	6.1	58.7	62.2	61.7
Feb	62.9	72.4	70.8	17.0	6.5	8.0	52.2	67.7	65.2	65.0	60.3	61.0	6.1	5.0	5.2	61.0	57.3	57.8	63.9	66.2	65.8	11.6	5.8	6.7	56.5	62.4	61.5
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Jan-Feb08	69.2	72.7	72.2	8.0	3.4	4.2	63.7	70.3	69.2	68.7	59.9	61.3	7.6	3.5	4.2	63.5	57.9	58.7	69.0	66.2	66.7	7.8	3.4	4.2	63.6	64.0	63.9
Jan-Feb09	63.0	72.3	70.7	15.5	6.1	7.5	53.2	67.9	65.5	66.2	60.1	61.0	6.0	5.1	5.2	62.2	57.0	57.8	64.5	66.0	65.8	10.8	5.6	6.4	57.6	62.3	61.6

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

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Source: Statistics Canada

6 BC Employment by Full-Time/Part-Time Status

	Men				Women				Total			
	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total
1999	882.5	129.0	1,011.5	12.8	606.1	276.8	882.9	31.4	1,488.6	405.8	1,894.4	21.4
2000	914.1	117.2	1,031.3	11.4	619.2	280.8	900.0	31.2	1,533.3	398.0	1,931.3	20.6
2001	896.7	123.4	1,020.1	12.1	620.9	280.5	901.4	31.1	1,517.6	404.0	1,921.6	21.0
2002	891.8	145.9	1,037.7	14.1	624.6	302.8	927.3	32.7	1,516.4	448.7	1,965.0	22.8
2003	929.7	136.1	1,065.8	12.8	635.2	313.6	948.9	33.0	1,564.9	449.7	2,014.7	22.3
2004	960.1	131.0	1,091.2	12.0	670.7	300.9	971.5	31.0	1,630.8	431.9	2,062.7	20.9
2005	1,000.8	129.7	1,130.5	11.5	693.0	307.0	1,000.0	30.7	1,693.9	436.7	2,130.5	20.5
2006	1,022.3	138.6	1,160.9	11.9	727.8	306.7	1,034.5	29.6	1,750.2	445.3	2,195.5	20.3
2007	1,067.8	143.1	1,210.9	11.8	740.9	314.6	1,055.4	29.8	1,808.7	457.7	2,266.3	20.2
2008	1,086.3	144.6	1,230.9	11.7	762.5	320.9	1,083.4	29.6	1,848.8	465.5	2,314.3	20.1
	seasonally adjusted											
2008 Jan	1,089.2	144.5	1,233.7	11.7	746.4	327.8	1,074.2	30.5	1,835.6	472.2	2,307.9	20.5
Feb	1,085.1	142.7	1,227.7	11.6	753.8	324.9	1,078.7	30.1	1,838.8	467.6	2,306.4	20.3
Mar	1,094.4	143.1	1,237.5	11.6	750.8	328.4	1,079.2	30.4	1,845.3	471.5	2,316.7	20.4
Apr	1,097.7	137.2	1,234.8	11.1	760.4	325.0	1,085.4	29.9	1,858.0	462.2	2,320.2	19.9
May	1,082.7	142.6	1,225.3	11.6	769.9	323.7	1,093.6	29.6	1,852.6	466.3	2,318.9	20.1
Jun	1,087.0	141.4	1,228.4	11.5	766.4	325.2	1,091.6	29.8	1,853.4	466.6	2,319.9	20.1
Jul	1,091.0	143.0	1,234.1	11.6	780.6	307.0	1,087.6	28.2	1,871.6	450.0	2,321.6	19.4
Aug	1,102.1	143.9	1,246.0	11.5	750.6	326.1	1,076.7	30.3	1,852.8	470.0	2,322.7	20.2
Sep	1,084.2	148.0	1,232.2	12.0	760.3	323.5	1,083.8	29.8	1,844.5	471.4	2,316.0	20.4
Oct	1,081.0	148.6	1,229.7	12.1	772.4	306.9	1,079.3	28.4	1,853.4	455.6	2,309.0	19.7
Nov	1,070.6	151.2	1,221.8	12.4	768.8	316.9	1,085.7	29.2	1,839.3	468.1	2,307.4	20.3
Dec	1,070.3	149.0	1,219.4	12.2	769.2	314.2	1,083.4	29.0	1,839.6	463.2	2,302.7	20.1
2009 Jan	1,032.7	158.1	1,190.8	13.3	738.9	337.9	1,076.8	31.4	1,771.5	496.1	2,267.6	21.9
Feb	1,024.0	158.3	1,182.3	13.4	745.9	334.6	1,080.4	31.0	1,769.9	492.9	2,262.7	21.8
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Average:												
Jan-Feb08	1,087.2	143.6	1,230.7	11.7	750.1	326.4	1,076.5	30.3	1,837.2	469.9	2,307.2	20.4
Jan-Feb09	1,028.4	158.2	1,186.6	13.3	742.4	336.3	1,078.6	31.2	1,770.7	494.5	2,265.2	21.8
% Change	-5.4	10.2	-3.6		-1.0	3.0	0.2		-3.6	5.2	-1.8	

Produced by: BC Stats

Source: Statistics Canada

7a BC Employment by Industry

	All Industries		Total Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Other Primary		Utilities		Manufac-turing		Construc-tion	
	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg
1999	1,894.4		393.8		28.1		48.5		11.1		191.8		114.3	
2000	1,931.3	1.9	406.3	3.2	29.7	5.7	52.7	8.7	10.3	-7.2	202.5	5.6	111.1	-2.8
2001	1,921.6	-0.5	382.3	-5.9	25.5	-14.1	40.7	-22.8	10.5	1.9	194.9	-3.8	110.7	-0.4
2002	1,965.0	2.3	392.2	2.6	29.0	13.7	37.6	-7.6	11	4.8	196.6	0.9	118.1	6.7
2003	2,014.7	2.5	416.4	6.2	32.9	13.4	45.5	21.0	11.3	2.7	206.8	5.2	119.8	1.4
2004	2,062.7	2.4	436.9	4.9	36.9	12.2	35.6	-21.8	9.2	-18.6	211.2	2.1	144.0	20.2
2005	2,130.5	3.3	452.7	3.6	38.7	4.9	37.5	5.3	10.3	12.0	198.2	-6.2	168.0	16.7
2006	2,195.5	3.1	463.9	2.5	34.7	-10.3	43.8	16.8	8.6	-16.5	197.5	-0.4	179.3	6.7
2007	2,266.3	3.2	495.7	6.9	36.2	4.3	47.3	8.0	10.3	19.8	205.1	3.8	196.9	9.8
2008	2,314.3	2.1	501.5	1.2	33.7	-6.9	45.4	-4.0	14.2	37.9	187.4	-8.6	220.8	12.1
	seasonally adjusted													
2008 Jan	2,307.9		510.4		43.2		46.8		14.6		193.0		212.8	
Feb	2,306.4	-0.1	499.8	-2.1	37.7	-12.7	46.2	-1.3	14.4	-1.4	185.5	-3.9	216.0	1.5
Mar	2,316.7	0.4	510.6	2.2	38.0	0.8	46.5	0.6	15.7	9.0	190.2	2.5	220.3	2.0
Apr	2,320.2	0.2	498.0	-2.5	35.1	-7.6	48.6	4.5	13.2	-15.9	182.2	-4.2	218.9	-0.6
May	2,318.9	-0.1	497.6	-0.1	29.8	-15.1	45.8	-5.8	12.8	-3.0	188.1	3.2	221.1	1.0
Jun	2,319.9	0.0	495.9	-0.3	32.8	10.1	43.5	-5.0	13.4	4.7	189.5	0.7	216.8	-1.9
Jul	2,321.6	0.1	503.6	1.6	31.9	-2.7	44.4	2.1	14.6	9.0	190.2	0.4	222.3	2.5
Aug	2,322.7	0.0	505.5	0.4	34.4	7.8	41.9	-5.6	15.3	4.8	186.9	-1.7	226.9	2.1
Sep	2,316.0	-0.3	511.8	1.2	31.9	-7.3	44.2	5.5	14.5	-5.2	186.0	-0.5	235.2	3.7
Oct	2,309.0	-0.3	497.6	-2.8	31.0	-2.8	42.9	-2.9	15.1	4.1	183.3	-1.5	225.3	-4.2
Nov	2,307.4	-0.1	493.7	-0.8	29.8	-3.9	45.6	6.3	13.9	-7.9	184.8	0.8	219.6	-2.5
Dec	2,302.7	-0.2	494.2	0.1	30.6	2.7	49.5	8.6	12.6	-9.4	188.0	1.7	213.5	-2.8
2009 Jan	2,267.6	-1.5	460.2	-6.9	27.6	-9.8	46.6	-5.9	12.8	1.6	169.9	-9.6	203.3	-4.8
Feb	2,262.7	-0.2	460.3	0.0	30.1	9.1	45.7	-1.9	10.5	-18.0	170.2	0.2	203.8	0.2
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Average:														
Jan-Feb08	2,307.2		505.1		40.5		46.5		14.5		189.3		214.4	
Jan-Feb09	2,265.2		460.3		28.9		46.2		11.7		170.1		203.6	
% Change	-1.8		-8.9		-28.7		-0.8		-19.7		-10.1		-5.1	

NOTE: Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over previous month.

Produced by: BC Stats

Source: Statistics Canada

7b BC Employment by Industry

	Total Service Producing Industries		Transport and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Community and Personal Service								Public Administration	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health & Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Other Service	
	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg
1999	1,500.5		115.9		304.8		121.0		135.8		127.3		193.3		149.1		260.8		92.5	
2000	1,525.0	1.6	116.9	0.9	300.8	-1.3	118.3	-2.2	135.8	0.0	136.6	7.3	201.2	4.1	154.5	3.6	268.4	2.9	92.4	-0.1
2001	1,539.3	0.9	112.4	-3.8	303.3	0.8	120.9	2.2	139.2	2.5	138.3	1.2	196.8	-2.2	163.7	6.0	275.1	2.5	89.5	-3.1
2002	1,572.8	2.2	112.9	0.4	324.9	7.1	123.3	2.0	136.1	-2.2	139.3	0.7	211.6	7.5	162.5	-0.7	274.1	-0.4	88.1	-1.6
2003	1,598.3	1.6	119.6	5.9	327.8	0.9	124.5	1.0	139.3	2.4	140.1	0.6	213.3	0.8	159.4	-1.9	281.2	2.6	93.0	5.6
2004	1,625.8	1.7	116.5	-2.6	315.8	-3.7	129.2	3.8	146.3	5.0	135.9	-3.0	219.2	2.8	175.3	10.0	290.4	3.3	97.2	4.5
2005	1,677.8	3.2	118.7	1.9	334.6	6.0	132.9	2.9	163.6	11.8	146.1	7.5	217.4	-0.8	175.8	0.3	293.6	1.1	95.1	-2.2
2006	1,731.6	3.2	119.5	0.7	353.7	5.7	138.0	3.8	167.6	2.4	156.0	6.8	232.2	6.8	170.5	-3.0	302.8	3.1	91.3	-4.0
2007	1,770.6	2.3	125.6	5.1	365.0	3.2	145.0	5.1	166.3	-0.8	156.1	0.1	239.7	3.2	172.7	1.3	304.3	0.5	95.9	5.0
2008	1,812.8	2.4	128.0	1.9	354.8	-2.8	147.2	1.5	174	4.6	161.6	3.5	245.6	2.5	178.1	3.1	320.5	5.3	102.9	7.3
	seasonally adjusted																			
2008 Jan	1,797.5		129.4		354.2		145.1		171.2		166.2		246.3		170.6		319.7		94.8	
Feb	1,806.6	0.5	128.8	-0.5	359.0	1.4	147.9	1.9	175	2.2	156.9	-5.6	240.9	-2.2	177.6	4.1	318.1	-0.5	102.5	8.1
Mar	1,806.1	0.0	130.2	1.1	362.9	1.1	134.1	-9.3	174.1	-0.5	155.5	-0.9	240.6	-0.1	179.5	1.1	324.8	2.1	104.4	1.9
Apr	1,822.2	0.9	133.0	2.2	360.8	-0.6	142.2	6.0	177.9	2.2	162.7	4.6	233.1	-3.1	183.6	2.3	322.9	-0.6	106.1	1.6
May	1,821.3	0.0	127.1	-4.4	350.9	-2.7	150.8	6.0	175.5	-1.3	165.0	1.4	239.5	2.7	184.3	0.4	321.8	-0.3	106.5	0.4
Jun	1,824.0	0.1	131.4	3.4	356.5	1.6	144.9	-3.9	179.6	2.3	167.8	1.7	244.6	2.1	177.6	-3.6	317.3	-1.4	104.5	-1.9
Jul	1,818.0	-0.3	126.6	-3.7	349.2	-2.0	155.4	7.2	172	-4.2	163.7	-2.4	245.9	0.5	177.1	-0.3	324.9	2.4	103.1	-1.3
Aug	1,817.2	0.0	131.3	3.7	361.7	3.6	142.0	-8.6	175.1	1.8	160.4	-2.0	243.3	-1.1	177.0	-0.1	325.6	0.2	100.7	-2.3
Sep	1,804.2	-0.7	128.0	-2.5	346.7	-4.1	148.9	4.9	169.6	-3.1	158.2	-1.4	253.0	4.0	174.8	-1.2	324.5	-0.3	100.4	-0.3
Oct	1,811.4	0.4	128.4	0.3	346.6	0.0	151.2	1.5	170.1	0.3	160.9	1.7	255.3	0.9	173.4	-0.8	317.6	-2.1	108.0	7.6
Nov	1,813.7	0.1	115.3	-10.2	349.9	1.0	155.4	2.8	178	4.6	160.3	-0.4	254.8	-0.2	177.6	2.4	320.5	0.9	101.8	-5.7
Dec	1,808.6	-0.3	126.2	9.5	358.0	2.3	149.0	-4.1	170	-4.5	161.7	0.9	249.8	-2.0	183.0	3.0	308.8	-3.7	102.2	0.4
2009 Jan	1,807.4	-0.1	120.8	-4.3	351.3	-1.9	151.2	1.5	177.8	4.6	157.2	-2.8	255.3	2.2	180.6	-1.3	309.9	0.4	103.4	1.2
Feb	1,802.4	-0.3	118.0	-2.3	350.6	-0.2	148.2	-2.0	173.4	-2.5	160.6	2.2	259.4	1.6	176.4	-2.3	314.8	1.6	101.0	-2.3
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Jan-Feb08	1,802.1		129.1		356.6		146.5		173.1		161.6		243.6		174.1		318.9		98.7	
Jan-Feb09	1,804.9		119.4		351.0		149.7		175.6		158.9		257.4		178.5		312.4		102.2	
% Change	0.2		-7.5		-1.6		2.2		1.4		-1.6		5.6		2.5		-2.1		3.6	

NOTE: Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over previous month.

Produced by: **BC Stats**

Source: Statistics Canada

8 BC Employment and Unemployment Rate by Occupation, Actual

	Management		Business Finance & Admin.		Natural & Applied Sciences		Health		Social Sci. Education Govt Service & Religion		Art Culture Recreation & Sport		Sales & Service		Trades Transport & Equipment Operators		Occupations Unique to Primary		Occupations Unique to Processing, Mfg & Utilities		All Occupations	
	Emp. ('000)	Unemp %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %
1999	195.6	2.4	344.7	3.4	124.1	3.4	97.7	1.7	143.1	2.7	66.6	4.0	485.5	6.8	287.6	8.1	64.1	14.6	85.3	6.8	1,894.4	8.3
2000	200.3	1.8	336.0	3.2	124.0	2.4	104.5	0.6	151.3	3.1	61.5	4.8	501.0	5.5	286.3	7.6	70.4	13.5	95.9	6.1	1,931.3	7.1
2001	171.6	2.6	340.2	4.1	118.5	4.7	102.3	1.8	149.0	3.2	59.8	5.7	537.4	5.5	285.9	7.7	61.4	13.5	95.6	8.8	1,921.6	7.7
2002	173.7	2.8	333.5	4.2	118.0	5.1	113.7	2.0	161.7	2.9	64.8	6.5	557.6	6.0	284.9	7.9	60.9	14.9	96.3	8.9	1,965.0	8.5
2003	182.1	1.9	351.5	4.1	126.6	6.1	117.2	1.8	162.5	3.2	67.0	6.6	540.4	6.2	297.3	7.1	72.9	12.5	97.3	6.8	2,014.7	8.0
2004	192.9	2.6	353.1	3.8	120.6	5.0	119.1	1.6	155.6	3.9	73.3	5.2	556.2	5.9	319.5	5.9	69.6	10.9	102.8	7.0	2,062.7	7.2
2005	193.0	2.3	383.0	2.9	136.1	3.0	118.6	1.2	172.4	2.5	71.3	4.8	558.0	4.7	330.8	4.5	71.3	9.5	96.1	6.1	2,130.5	5.9
2006	207.9	1.8	371.0	2.5	152.3	2.3	131.8	1.4	175.0	2.8	74.8	3.6	563.2	3.8	349.6	4.0	73.7	8.4	96.1	4.0	2,195.5	4.8
2007	207.3	1.1	391.8	2.3	144.9	2.3	128.2	0.6	183.7	2.2	74.9	2.6	591.8	3.7	369.2	3.2	75.0	7.4	99.5	5.7	2,266.3	4.2
2008	219.8	1.5	409.5	2.1	153.5	2.0	139.3	1.6	192.1	2.4	73.1	3.3	593.4	4.0	380.5	4.6	66.6	8.8	86.6	6.3	2,314.3	4.6
2008 Jan	202.8	1.0	410.4	1.9	157.6	2.7	131.2	2.5	202.9	1.1	76.8	1.9	570.4	4.0	366.4	4.7	72.7	11.6	83.0	8.4	2,274.3	4.5
Feb	210.2	0.8	405.1	2.7	162.1	2.4	134.8	0.9	200.8	0.9	83.5	1.4	572.0	3.7	365.9	4.2	59.0	11.5	81.8	7.0	2,275.1	4.4
Mar	222.1	0.7	397.9	1.7	155.1	2.1	134.4	1.6	194.4	1.9	77.5	1.8	586.1	3.4	380.6	3.6	64.0	8.2	93.1	8.4	2,305.3	4.2
Apr	218.8	0.9	406.0	1.5	159.9	2.9	140.5	0.9	198.6	1.7	74.0	4.0	588.1	4.0	372.9	4.3	60.5	8.6	85.3	6.1	2,304.5	4.5
May	227.6	1.0	401.0	2.3	158.0	1.1	138.8	0.7	203.5	1.3	71.8	3.6	606.5	3.9	370.6	4.7	68.3	10.7	84.0	6.6	2,330.0	4.7
Jun	235.7	1.7	420.6	1.3	152.8	0.6	148.6	1.6	196.4	1.3	59.0	4.7	598.0	3.4	385.8	4.9	70.0	7.0	88.0	4.6	2,354.9	4.1
Jul	238.6	1.7	411.6	2.0	154.8	1.6	142.3	2.2	175.4	3.4	65.2	2.8	600.7	4.8	397.6	3.9	72.6	5.2	91.2	5.2	2,350.1	4.8
Aug	225.0	2.5	425.3	1.9	159.8	2.3	139.9	2.0	161.8	11.4	69.6	3.2	600.6	4.5	399.4	3.3	81.6	5.6	83.9	3.8	2,347.0	4.9
Sep	223.7	1.8	411.8	2.6	142.9	2.5	145.5	1.8	188.7	2.4	70.3	2.6	580.9	4.2	396.2	3.5	67.3	9.4	88.6	5.0	2,315.9	4.5
Oct	215.7	1.5	416.0	2.7	143.5	2.4	135.6	1.6	198.1	1.7	72.3	5.6	588.6	4.2	396.2	4.1	62.8	10.7	84.2	6.2	2,312.9	4.9
Nov	207.1	1.8	411.6	2.0	150.4	1.4	140.0	2.2	199.5	1.5	75.5	4.1	610.1	3.8	368.0	6.3	57.1	9.4	89.6	7.8	2,308.6	4.7
Dec	210.4	2.0	396.8	2.0	145.3	2.4	140.0	1.2	184.9	2.0	81.8	3.8	618.3	4.0	366.1	7.9	63.0	8.6	86.1	6.8	2,292.8	5.0
2009 Jan	206.9	2.2	389.7	4.1	142.7	2.9	139.9	1.6	191.6	1.9	83.0	2.1	611.0	4.3	339.7	10.7	59.0	16.0	70.2	16.3	2,233.7	6.7
Feb	211.8	1.9	383.9	4.4	158.0	4.9	141.0	2.4	190.3	1.2	80.2	3.0	588.8	5.6	330.0	10.5	62.4	17.2	80.7	12.1	2,226.9	7.2
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Jan-Feb08	206.5	0.9	407.8	2.3	159.9	2.5	133.0	1.7	201.9	1.0	80.2	1.7	571.2	3.9	366.2	4.5	65.9	11.6	82.4	7.7	2,274.7	4.5
Jan-Feb09	209.4	2.0	386.8	4.2	150.4	3.9	140.5	2.0	191.0	1.6	81.6	2.6	599.9	4.9	334.9	10.6	60.7	16.6	75.5	14.2	2,230.3	7.0
% Change	1.4		-5.1		-5.9		5.6		-5.4		1.8		5.0		-8.5		-7.8		-8.4		-2.0	

NOTES: 1. Occupation specific Unemployment Rates include only those unemployed who worked in the past year. The "All Occupations" rate incorporates total unemployed persons which includes an "Occupation Unclassified" category.

2. Due to the relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

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9 BC Employment and Unemployment Rate by Region and Metropolitan Area

	British Columbia		Vancouver		Victoria		Abbotsford		Development Regions: Vancouver Island/ Coast		Mainland/ Southwest		Thompson-Okanagan		Kootenay		Cariboo		North Coast & Nechako		Northeast	
	Emp. ('000)	Unemp %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %
1999	1,894.4	8.3	996.0	7.7	155.3	6.6	66.9	7.6	330.0	7.9	1130.1	7.7	206.1	9.6	69.4	9.3	81.4	11.6	46.7	8.8	30.7	8.9
2000	1,931.3	7.1	1,032.1	5.8	155.3	6.7	68.3	7.5	327.4	7.8	1164.6	6.1	210.3	9.3	70.8	10.0	79.1	9.9	47.3	10.2	31.8	5.9
2001	1,921.6	7.7	1,039.1	6.6	150.8	6.3	71.4	6.7	307.3	9.2	1175.0	6.7	210.2	9.3	70.4	9.7	79.4	9.7	46.6	11.2	32.5	6.1
2002	1,965.0	8.5	1,072.1	7.7	155.7	7.0	75.2	7.5	317.4	8.7	1216.7	7.7	208.1	9.4	66.6	10.0	78.0	12.7	44.9	12.6	33.2	9.0
2003	2,014.7	8.0	1,103.5	7.3	158.7	6.2	74.9	7.5	319.1	8.6	1251.4	7.3	218.8	8.8	67.4	11.5	78.2	11.1	44.8	11.3	34.9	6.4
2004	2,062.7	7.2	1,127.5	6.7	162.0	5.3	78.5	6.4	334.2	7.9	1275.3	6.7	229.7	6.6	67.1	9.2	80.7	9.1	42.4	11.6	33.3	5.4
2005	2,130.5	5.9	1,155.7	5.7	169.3	4.5	78.3	5.5	350.0	6.3	1,307.3	5.7	244.0	5.3	69.2	6.1	80.1	7.4	45.7	8.1	34.3	4.7
2006	2,195.5	4.8	1,187.1	4.4	175.2	3.7	82.3	4.5	369.5	4.9	1,342.7	4.4	253.7	5.1	69.5	6.2	82.9	6.1	43.1	6.7	34.0	NA
2007	2,266.3	4.2	1,222.7	4.0	182.9	3.3	84.8	4.3	378.3	4.3	1,392.2	4.0	256.7	4.4	77.1	5.5	83.8	5.1	41.5	8.0	36.7	NA
2008	2,314.3	4.6	1,241.6	4.3	190.9	3.3	88.0	4.9	394.2	4.4	1,418.3	4.2	265.0	5.5	71.5	4.8	83.1	6.5	44.1	7.7	38.0	4.8
	3- month moving average, actual, ending in:																					
2008 Jan	2,286.5	4.1	1,245.2	3.7	186.2	3.0	84.9	3.6	375.8	4.5	1,417.7	3.6	253.9	4.8	73.1	4.8	88.0	5.2	41.5	8.2	36.5	NA
Feb	2,278.9	4.2	1,239.5	3.7	185.0	3.3	83.8	4.9	378.0	5.0	1,411.1	3.7	253.6	5.3	71.8	4.4	86.5	5.8	42.1	7.3	35.8	NA
Mar	2,284.9	4.4	1,240.4	3.8	186.8	3.2	84.4	5.6	380.4	5.2	1,412.7	3.7	257.6	5.9	71.2	3.4	84.0	6.8	43.3	7.1	35.6	NA
Apr	2,295.0	4.4	1,238.6	3.9	190.0	2.8	85.8	5.4	386.9	4.6	1,412.8	3.9	260.7	5.6	71.6	2.5	82.9	7.7	44.3	7.9	35.8	4.3
May	2,313.3	4.5	1,241.8	4.1	193.8	2.7	88.0	4.8	391.4	4.3	1,421.3	4.1	265.6	5.6	72.1	2.2	82.7	7.9	44.4	8.6	35.8	5.0
Jun	2,329.8	4.4	1,243.8	4.3	195.0	2.8	88.7	4.2	395.9	3.9	1,425.2	4.2	271.5	5.1	71.3	2.5	83.5	7.0	45.4	8.5	37.0	5.9
Jul	2,345.0	4.5	1,249.0	4.4	195.1	3.3	89.2	4.1	401.8	3.8	1,430.2	4.4	274.8	5.2	71.2	3.9	83.4	6.9	45.8	7.5	37.9	6.2
Aug	2,350.7	4.6	1,253.4	4.5	194.0	3.7	90.8	4.1	403.3	3.8	1,433.3	4.4	275.2	4.9	70.5	5.1	83.2	7.2	46.5	7.6	38.6	6.3
Sep	2,337.7	4.7	1,243.8	4.6	192.8	3.7	90.7	4.5	403.3	4.1	1,423.7	4.5	271.4	4.9	71.6	6.4	83.3	6.8	45.4	6.8	39.1	5.8
Oct	2,325.3	4.7	1,240.6	4.5	191.8	3.8	90.5	4.8	401.0	4.3	1,420.3	4.4	267.3	5.4	70.1	7.0	82.5	6.4	44.3	7.7	39.8	5.0
Nov	2,312.5	4.7	1,238.1	4.3	191.2	3.4	88.8	5.0	399.0	4.5	1,414.9	4.3	260.7	5.8	72.1	6.0	82.4	5.5	43.3	7.7	40.2	4.5
Dec	2,304.8	4.9	1,238.6	4.4	189.2	3.6	88.2	5.2	397.2	4.5	1,411.6	4.5	259.7	6.2	72.0	7.0	81.4	5.6	42.5	8.6	40.4	3.6
2009 Jan	2,278.4	5.5	1,225.3	4.9	184.9	3.9	87.2	5.8	390.9	5.1	1,395.0	5.1	256.9	7.0	72.4	6.7	81.7	6.1	41.9	9.3	39.6	4.6
Feb	2,251.1	6.3	1,214.1	5.6	181.3	4.9	86.3	6.7	384.4	5.9	1,381.8	5.9	255.3	7.8	70.8	8.8	78.8	7.8	40.5	9.8	39.5	4.6
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Average:	year-to-date averages are based on monthy actual data																					
Jan-Feb08	2,274.7	4.5	1,237.2	3.9	184.2	3.6	82.7	5.8	377.3	5.6	1,407.0	3.9	255.7	5.7	71.5	4.1	85.1	5.8	42.5	6.9	35.8	3.7
Jan-Feb09	2,230.3	7.0	1,208.3	6.0	178.9	5.5	85.4	7.6	379.3	6.8	1,374.2	6.4	250.6	9.0	70.7	8.3	77.3	9.0	39.7	11.0	38.8	5.8
% Change	-2.0		-2.3		-2.9		3.3		0.5		-2.3		-2.0		-1.1		-9.2		-6.6		8.4	

NOTE: Geographic boundaries changed on January 1, 2005.

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Source: Statistics Canada

10 BC Employment by Class of Worker

	Total Employment		Employees						Self-Employed	
			Total		Public		Private			
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1999	1,894.4		1,512.9		345.9		1,167.1		381.4	
2000	1,931.3	1.9	1,574.7	4.1	358.9	3.8	1,215.9	4.2	356.6	-6.5
2001	1,921.6	-0.5	1,570.1	-0.3	350.8	-2.3	1,219.3	0.3	351.4	-1.5
2002	1,965.0	2.3	1,601.7	2.0	353.6	0.8	1,248.1	2.4	363.3	3.4
2003	2,014.7	2.5	1,638.4	2.3	360.5	2.0	1,277.9	2.4	376.3	3.6
2004	2,062.7	2.4	1,671.3	2.0	366.6	1.7	1,304.7	2.1	391.4	4.0
2005	2,130.5	3.3	1,714.8	2.6	369.8	0.9	1,345.0	3.1	415.8	6.2
2006	2,195.5	3.1	1,781.8	3.9	391.2	5.8	1,390.6	3.4	413.7	-0.5
2007	2,266.3	3.2	1,841.0	3.3	401.6	2.7	1,439.4	3.5	425.3	2.8
2008	2,314.3	2.1	1,886.0	2.4	421.4	4.9	1,464.5	1.7	428.3	0.7
	seasonally adjusted									
2008 Jan	2,307.9		1,896.0		418.5		1,477.5		411.9	
Feb	2,306.4	-0.1	1,903.1	0.4	418.8	0.1	1,484.3	0.5	403.3	-2.1
Mar	2,316.7	0.4	1,905.8	0.1	417.6	-0.3	1,488.2	0.3	410.9	1.9
Apr	2,320.2	0.2	1,902.4	-0.2	423.6	1.4	1,478.8	-0.6	417.8	1.7
May	2,318.9	-0.1	1,910.6	0.4	434.3	2.5	1,476.2	-0.2	408.3	-2.3
Jun	2,319.9	0.0	1,894.6	-0.8	432.9	-0.3	1,461.7	-1.0	425.4	4.2
Jul	2,321.6	0.1	1,889.6	-0.3	429.0	-0.9	1,460.6	-0.1	432.1	1.6
Aug	2,322.7	0.0	1,880.4	-0.5	420.8	-1.9	1,459.6	-0.1	442.3	2.4
Sep	2,316.0	-0.3	1,861.9	-1.0	416.1	-1.1	1,445.8	-0.9	454.1	2.7
Oct	2,309.0	-0.3	1,861.2	0.0	424.0	1.9	1,437.2	-0.6	447.8	-1.4
Nov	2,307.4	-0.1	1,869.2	0.4	409.0	-3.5	1,460.2	1.6	438.3	-2.1
Dec	2,302.7	-0.2	1,854.7	-0.8	411.6	0.6	1,443.1	-1.2	448.1	2.2
2009 Jan	2,267.6	-1.5	1,815.7	-2.1	411.1	-0.1	1,404.6	-2.7	451.9	0.8
Feb	2,262.7	-0.2	1,835.8	1.1	411.1	0.0	1,424.7	1.4	427.0	-5.5
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Dec										
Average:										
Jan-Feb08	2,307.2		1,899.6		418.7		1,480.9		407.6	
Jan-Feb09	2,265.2		1,825.8		411.1		1,414.7		439.5	
% Change	-1.8		-3.9		-1.8		-4.5		7.8	

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Source: Statistics Canada

Labour Force Statistics

This report is based on statistics from the Labour Force Survey produced monthly by Statistics Canada. Questions and comments should be directed to Data Services at (250)387-0327 or write to BC.Stats@gov.bc.ca

Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Reference Week

Monthly estimates of employment, unemployment, and persons not in the labour force refer to the specific week covered by the survey each month, normally the week containing the 15th day.

Labour Force

The labour force is composed of those members of the civilian non-institutional population 15 years of age and over who, during the reference week, were employed or unemployed.

Employed

Employed persons are those who, during the reference week, either: (a) did any work at all, or (b) had a job but were not at work due to own illness or disability, personal or family responsibilities, bad weather, labour dispute, vacation, or other reason not specified above (excluding persons whose job attachment was to a job to start at a definite date in the future).

Unemployment

Unemployed persons are those who, during the reference week, either: (a) were without work, had actively looked for work in the past four weeks (ending with the reference week), and were available for work; or (b) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had been on layoff and were available for work; or (c) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had a new job to start in four weeks or less from the reference week, and were available for work.

Unemployment Rate

The unemployment rate represents the number of unemployed persons expressed as a percentage of the labour force. The unemployment rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the number of unemployed in that group expressed as a percentage of the labour force for that group.

Participation Rate

The participation rate represents the labour force expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The participation rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the labour force for that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

Employment Rate

The employment rate(employment/population ratio) is the number of employed persons expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The employment rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the employment for that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

Rounding

Estimates published by the Labour Force Survey are rounded to the nearest thousand but all derived values (totals, averages, rates, ratios, percent changes etc.) are calculated from unrounded figures. Therefore, the sum of the individual rounded items may not equal the total. Unadjusted estimates rounded to hundreds are available from BC Stats on request.

Seasonal Adjustment

Fluctuations in economic time series are caused by seasonal, cyclical and irregular movements. A seasonally adjusted series is one from which seasonal movements have been eliminated. Seasonal movements are defined as those which are caused by regular annual events such as climate, holidays, vacation periods, and cycles related to crops, production and retail sales associated with Christmas and Easter. It should be noted that the seasonally adjusted series contain irregular as well as longer-term cyclical fluctuations.

Source: Extracted from Statistics Canada, Labour Force Survey, Definitions and Explanations